

# Shenandoah Valley Amateur Radio Club

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Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C.  
Via the Electronic Comment Filing System

Re: Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order  
WT Docket No. 12-283

Commissioners:

The Shenandoah Valley Amateur Radio Club (SVARC) (established 1948) currently has nearly 80 members. At the November 2, 2012 meeting, a discussion was held on WT Docket No. 12-283 Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order, proposing to amend the Part 97 rules governing the Amateur Radio Service, and specifically to reduce the number of volunteer examiners needed to administer an amateur license examination.

The proposal, as stated in point 20 reads, "Therefore, in order to increase the availability of examination opportunities, we propose to reduce the number of VEs required to administer an examination to two."

The SVARC, in a unanimous vote at the above referenced meeting is against any amendment or action by the Commission reducing the number of VEs (currently 3) required to administer an amateur radio license examination.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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Secretary, SVARC  
for  
The SVARC Board of Directors